

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**Call to Order:** Chair Gary MacLaren, on February 8, 2011 at 3:30 PM, in Room 172  
Capitol

00:00:11

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Gary MacLaren, Chair (R)  
Rep. Michael (Mike) More, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)  
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)  
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)  
Rep. Tom Berry (R)  
Rep. Edward Greef (R)  
Rep. Kris Hansen (R)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)  
Rep. James Knox (R)  
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)  
Rep. Sue Malek (D)  
Rep. Mary McNally (D)  
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)  
Rep. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)  
Rep. Derek Skees (R)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

**Members Absent:** Rep. Michele Reinhart, Vice Chair (D), Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)

**Staff Present:** Helen Thigpen, Legislative Branch  
Phoebe Williams, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 346, 2/3/2011; HB 366, 2/3/2011  
Executive Action: HB 348, HB 263

**HEARING ON HB 346****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:33 Rep. Bill Beck (R), HD 6, opened the hearing on HB 346, Revise monthly pension payable to volunteer firefighter.

00:02:35 Rep. Reinhart joined meeting

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:04:21 Alec Hansen, Montana League of Cities and Towns

00:06:35 Bob DePratu, Whitefish Volunteer Fire Department

00:10:02 Leonard Lundby, Montana State Volunteer Firefighters Association

00:10:05 Rep. Stahl joined the meeting

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:11:20 Rep. Ingraham

00:12:28 Rep. Beck

00:12:59 Rep. DePratu

00:13:56 Rep. Ingraham

00:14:00 Bob DePratu

00:15:02 Rep. Ingraham

00:15:34 Leonard Lundby

00:16:37 Rep. Ingraham

00:16:51 Leonard Lundby

00:17:41 Rep. MacLauren

00:17:48 Leonard Lundby

00:17:56 Rep. Bangerter

00:18:10 Leonard Lundby

00:18:25 Rep. Malek

00:19:46 Leonard Lundby

00:20:44 Rep. Malek

00:20:50 Leonard Lundby

00:21:06 Rep. Malek

00:21:14 Leonard Lundby

00:21:27 Rep. O'Neil

00:21:54 Rep. Beck

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:23:02 Rep. Beck

**HEARING ON HB 366****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:24:36 Rep. Matthew Rosendale (R), HD 38, opened the hearing on HB 366, Revise county interim zoning law.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:27:57 Glen Oppel, Montana Association of Realtors

**EXHIBIT(loh31a01)**

00:34:45 Paul Wilson, Ravalli County

00:38:50 Bill VanCanagan, Legal Council Montana Association of Realtors

00:46:44 Dustin Stewart, Montana Building Association

00:54:14 Gordon Morris, Lewis and Clark County Commissioners

00:49:57 Ken Allen, Missoula Montana

00:49:02 Denis Hardin, Montana Association of Realtors

00:56:46 Mark Staples, Plum Creek Limber Company

00:57:33 Joe Roberts, Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors

00:58:20 Ronda Wiggers, Helena and Great Falls Chambers of Commerce

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:59:37 Linda Stahl, Montana Association of Planners

01:06:31 Tara DePuy, Montana Association of Counties

01:08:03 Helen Thigpen

**EXHIBIT(loh31a02)**

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:08:27 Rep. Reinhart

01:08:45 Glen Oppel

01:08:55 Rep. Reinhart

01:09:21 Glen Oppel

01:09:32 Bill VanCanagan

01:10:43 Rep. Reinhart

01:10:56 Bill VanCanagan

01:12:02 Rep. Reinhart

01:12:18 VanCanagan

01:13:47 Rep. Reinhart

01:14:09 Bill VanCanagan

01:15:01 Rep. Reinhart

01:15:34 Linda Stahl

01:15:48 Rep. Hansen

01:16:23 Dustin Stewart

01:17:36 Rep. Malek

01:18:17 Bill VanCanagan

01:18:29 Rep. Malek

01:19:03 Bill VanCanagan

01:20:05 Bill VanCanagan

01:21:18 Rep. Malek

01:21:37 Bill VanCanagan

01:22:05 Rep. Malek

01:22:45 Bill VanCanagan

01:22:50 Rep. Vance joined meeting

01:23:32 Rep. Malek

01:23:48 Bill VanCanagan

01:24:24 Rep. Knox

01:25:01 Glen Oppel  
01:25:23 Rep. Knox  
01:25:39 Bill VanCanagan  
01:25:53 Rep. Moore  
01:26:22 Bill VanCanagan

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:27:09 Rep. Rosendale

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 348**

01:29:14 **Motion:** Rep. More moved that **HB 348 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

01:29:21 Helen Thigpen  
01:30:14 Rep. Moore  
01:30:54 Rep. Barrett  
01:31:55 Rep. Reinhart  
01:32:09 Rep. Moore  
01:32:20 Rep. Reinhart  
01:32:34 Rep. Malek  
01:33:59 Rep. Skees  
01:34:26 Rep. Malek  
01:35:12 Rep. Swanson  
01:35:35 Rep. Barrett  
01:38:02 Rep. Knox  
01:38:17 Rep. Malek  
01:38:43 Rep. Knox  
01:39:28 Rep. Vance  
01:40:00 Rep. Malek  
01:40:03 Rep. Vance  
01:40:45 Rep. Malek  
01:41:08 Rep. McNally  
01:41:55 Rep. Barrett  
01:43:08 Re. Hansen  
01:43:46 Rep. Malek

01:45:22 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Knox, Rep. Lavin, Rep. More, Rep. O'Neil, Rep. Skees and Rep. Vance voting no. Rep. Berry voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 263**

01:47:05 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **HB 263 DO PASS.** Motion carried unanimously by those present and voting. Rep. Berry voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:47:39

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Phoebe Williams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([loh31aad.pdf](#))**